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SUBJECT: PUBLICITY ON CODEL MORGAN

1. ALL PAPERS JAN. 7 GIVE PROMINENT FRONT PAGE COVERAGE WITH PHOTOS TO CODEL MORGAN'S MEETING WITH SDAT JAN. 6. STORIES STRESS SADAT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESSMEN THAT EGYPT WILL NOT ACCEPT CONTINUED ISRAELI OCCUPATION OF EGYPTIAN AND ARAB LANDS; AND THAT US SHOULD RECONGIZE THAT PALESTINIAN ISSUE IS CRUX OF MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM AND BEGIN DIALOGUE WITH PLO TO SUPPORT ITS MODERATE ELEMENTS IN SEARCH FOR WORKABLE PEACE. SADAT ALSO REPORTEDLY REFERRED TO NECESSITY OF RECONVENING GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT US WILL NOT RPT NOT USE VETO IN UPCOMING UNSC DEBATE ON MIDDLE EAST. PAPERS REPORTED THAT MEMBERS OF CODEL TOLD SADAT THAT PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER HAD ASSURED THEM THAT US IS DETERMINED TO CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE JUST OVERALL SETTLEMENT IN MIDDLE EAST. REPRESENTATIVE FOUNTAIN WAS REPORTED AH RAM AS SAYING PURPOSE OF CODEL'S VISIT TO AREA WAS TO SEE WHAT ECONOMIC AND MILITARY AID US COULD GIVE COUNTRIES ON THEIR ITINERARY. ACCORDING TO GUMHURRIYA, CODEL'S DISCUSSION WITH SADAT DEALT WITH AID US ADMINISTRATION PROPOSED TO GIVE EGYPT AND OTHER MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES THIS YEAR.

2. PAPERS ALSO COVERED IN DETAIL CODEL'S MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE JAN 6. DR. OTEIFY, DEPUTY SPEAKER OF PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY, QUOTED AS SAYING TWO ISSUES STILL CAUSED THE ASSEMBLY CONCERN ABOUT US STAND: A) US NON-RECOGNITION OF PLO AND B) CONTINUED US ARMING OF ISRAEL. MEMBERS

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OF CODEL REPORTEDLY ACKNOWLEDGED THAT OVERALL SETTLEMENT NOT

RPT NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT PARTICIPATION OF PALESTINIANS, BUT
EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER "CERTAIN TERRORIST ACTS WHICH ARE CARRIED
OUT BY CERTAIN ELEMENTS." EGYPTIANS' SIDE SAID US POLICY
SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON FORCING ISRAEL TO CHANGE ITS THINKING
ON PALESTINIANS ISSUE, ACCORDING TO AKBAR.
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